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Statement Regarding Big Eau Pleine

"The sight of the fish kill in the Big Eau Pleine Reservoir is astonishing and extremely disturbing. The Big Eau Pleine is an important resource to local residents and visitors to Central Wisconsin.

In my conversations I have heard of several likely contributing factors. I think it is important that we get the whole truth when it comes to what caused the fish kill. Speculation will not help us to prevent this from happening again. To that end, today I asked Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources Secretary Matthew Frank to explain how we arrived at the current situation with the Big Eau Pleine.

In honestly determining the true causes, we should be able to then come up with legitimate and viable solutions to protect the Big Eau Pleine along with its fish and wildlife."